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BOY DROWNED IN SMALL TANK

Ralph Smith, 15 Years of Age Meets
Fatal Accident Near Pleasant
Hill Last Sunday.

Ralph Smith, son of Joe Smith, who lives in the Pleasant Hill neighborhood was drowned last Sunday morning about 9:30. Ralph was fifteen years old, was in swimming with his brother and another boy, both younger than himself, at a pond about five miles north of Pleasant Hill. None of the boys could swim and when Ralph waded out into the water where the banks were slippery he slid in over his head. The younger boys not being able to swim, were powerless to help him. The nearest aid was a half mile away and it was thirty minutes after the accident before the body could be brought up by an experienced swimmer.

The remains were interred Monday morning at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery after the funeral service had been conducted by Rev. Barb of Texico-Farwell.

The grave was covered with floral tributes attesting the esteem in which the boy was held in his neighborhood, and a gloom was cast over the entire community on account of the sad accident.

MUSICAL CONCERT A SPLENDID SUCCESS

The musical concert given at the Methodist Church Wednesday night conducted by Mrs. W. H. Doughton, was a splendid success. The large audience filled the house and enjoyed it from beginning to end. The numbers being well chosen and well rendered.

NEW GROCERY

W. B. Cole and A. W. Freeman will soon open a grocery store in the Rice building opposite the post office on North Main Street. They expect to be open for business next week.

SOCIALIST CONVENTION

All socialists are hereby notified that a mass convention of all socialists of New Mexico will be held at 2 p. m., Saturday, August 6th, 1921, at the Court House in Clovis, New Mexico, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the U. S. Senate.

GLANERS MEETING

The Glaners' class of the M. E. Church South met with Mrs. Bert Curless Wednesday afternoon with a good attendance. After a short business session a delightful social hour was enjoyed. Delicious refreshments were served at the close of the pleasant afternoon.

CHANCEL GUILD ORGANIZED

About twenty ladies met last Tuesday afternoon in the parlors of the Lyceum Theatre and organized the Chancel Guild.

The purpose of the organization is to raise funds to buy the furnishings for the chancel of the new Episcopal church which is nearing completion. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. H. Duckworth, Pres.; Mrs. Harry Miller, V. Pres.; Mrs. C. E. Worrell, Sec.; Mrs. H. V. Stonhill, Treas.

C. M. TAYLOR BUYS

NEW AUTO BUS

C. M. Taylor has bought a new auto bus to take the place of the one destroyed by fire last spring. The bus is now being assembled and will be ready for transportation in a few days. Mr. Taylor says that the work on the highway is progressing rapidly, and that it will be finished in about three weeks, when he will again put the bus on between Portales and Clovis.—Portales News.

NEARLY A FIRE AT

LANE & SON'S ELEVATOR

Late Tuesday evening the fire department answered a call to Lane & Sons Elevator. The blaze was extinguished by workmen at the elevator before any damage was done.

Lives Lost in Palacios Disaster

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Moore of this city and Coe Howard of Portales, left Clovis Tuesday morning for Bronte, Texas, to attend the funeral of Rev. Drue K. Cumbie. Mrs. Cumbie is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

Drowned at Palacios

Rev. Cumbie was one of the eight who were drowned near Palacios last Thursday. He was with a party of others from the Baptist Young People's Association in session there. The bathers were caught in the undertow and all efforts to save them proved in vain.

Rev. Cumbie was pastor of the Baptist church at Breckenridge, Tex., and was prominent in the work of the church. He had visited Clovis a number of times and had assisted in revival meetings at a number of towns in this section.

Among others to lose their lives in the disaster were Mrs. B. Mayes and Miss V. Buster of Breckenridge, sons of Oliver Buster who is employed at Lukart & Company's store here.

VISITING IN MISSOURI

Rev. W. M. Elliott and son, John Franklin, left Tuesday morning for a month's trip to points in Missouri. They will attend the Young People's Association at Hollister and also visit several places where Mr. Elliott was formerly pastor.

EXAMINATIONS FOR POSTMASTER

An Appointment for Postmaster at Clovis Will Be Made Sometime After the 19th of August.

Applications are now being received by the Postal Department for the postmastership at Clovis, A. B. Wagner's term having expired on the 21st day of July. Applications will be received until August 19th and it is presumed the appointment will be made within at least thirty days from this time. The appointment for the Clovis post office, according to rules and regulations, will be made on a competitive basis, although candidates will be graded on business experience and education, rather than a written examination.

The Clovis postoffice pays an annual salary of \$2,700.

MRS. HARRISON HOSTESS AT ONE O'CLOCK LUNCHEON

Mrs. C. W. Harrison was voted one of Clovis' most charming hostesses when she entertained at a delightfully appointed four course luncheon Wednesday. The home was beautifully decorated with nasturtiums and other flowers. Those to enjoy Mrs. Harrison's hospitality were Mrs. C. L. McClellan, Mrs. Jeff Hightower, Mrs. G. P. Kuykendall, Mrs. W. W. Mayes, Mrs. Jno. L. Stevenson, Mrs. R. M. Bishop, Mrs. Anna Jones, Mrs. S. G. Giamore, Mrs. Roy McMillen, Mrs. J. M. Bickley, Mrs. G. S. Woodward and Mrs. W. W. Vinard of Texico, Mrs. F. J. Evans of St. Louis, Mo., Mrs. J. H. Reed of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. G. C. Booth, Searcy, Ark., and Mrs. Minnie Rogers of Taiban, N. M. The afternoon was delightfully spent during which time the guests enjoyed piano selections by Miss Blanche Lanewood Stevenson and Little Janie Wood Bishop and a reading by Miss Ruby Suman.

BOOST FOR THE HOME TEAM

Clovis ball team will play Floydada here Friday and Saturday. Let's get behind the home team and help them win, but at the same time make the visitors feel at home. Clovis ball team, even though it does not win all the games it plays, is a fine advertisement for the city.

DOBBS TALKS TO KIWANIS CLUB

City Manager Tells of Progress and Development Made During the Past Few Years.

With A. W. Johnson in charge, an interesting program was rendered at the Kiwanis Club Wednesday at noon. Lieutenant Governor Duckworth gave the oral boost of the day and spoke on cooperation. Mr. Duckworth pointed out that citizens should take a broad view of the things that are of benefit to the town and lend support to all of them.

An especially instructive feature of the day's program was a talk on municipal affairs by Oscar Dobbs, City Manager. Mr. Dobbs gave an outline of the progress the city had made in the past two years, told of the improvements that had been made and how the city's indebtedness, aside from bonded indebtedness, had been reduced to a very small amount. His talk put city affairs in a very favorable light before the members of the club.

Much merriment was created when C. W. Harrison received what was purported to be a message saying that the American Association of Portland Cement Manufacturers had entered a suit against him for attempting to demonstrate the weakness of their product used in the Natatorium when he dived against the bottom of the pool last week. Mr. Harrison got by the practical joke in a very little while in which he claimed he knew it was untrue to dive into the pool from the second landing and just made a martyr of himself in order to make other folks more careful.

WILL VISIT HERE

Col. Harry Herring and wife of Reaton, N. J., and Mrs. D. W. Herring of Jackson, Tenn., are expected here for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barry the latter part of the week. Col. Herring is a brother of Mrs. Barry and Mrs. Herring is her mother.

ATTENDS UNFORTUNATE PASTOR'S FUNERAL

Coe Howard of Portales was in Clovis Tuesday enroute to Bronte, Texas, where he went to attend the funeral of Rev. Drue Cumbie, who was one of the unfortunate ones to lose his life in the recent disaster at Palacios when a number of persons were drowned.

District Court Next Monday

District Court will convene next Monday morning with Judge Sam Bratton presiding. The Grand Jury will be convened Monday morning and the petit jury on Tuesday morning. Judge Bratton has announced that court will convene each morning at eight o'clock in order that the jury term may be gotten out of the way in a hurry.

KILL KARE CLUB

The Kill Kare Club met with Mrs. Jeff Roberts Wednesday afternoon with ten members and three guests present. Refreshments were served. The club will give a lawn party August 10th at the home of Mrs. Roberts complimenting the husbands of the members.

WON THE PRIZE

R. M. Hall returned last week from the mountains near Albuquerque where he was a member of a fishing party composed of the agents of the Kansas City Life Insurance Co. Mr. Hall again won the prize for writing more life insurance than any agent of the company in the state during the last contest period.

Mrs. H. W. Peterson of Parsons, Kansas, is here for a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Edna Hume Durand, County Boys' and Girls' Club Leader.

C. E. Smyer and R. F. Pixley made a business trip to Carlsbad Thursday.

New Machinery Being Installed

The new turbine at the city plant is being put in operation this week. Some difficulty has been experienced in getting everything working in the proper order but when it does get to going properly Clovis' water and light problems will be solved. For some months the light and water plant has been overloaded, caused by the growth of the city and this has as a matter of course, caused many headaches.

When the new equipment is installed and running properly Clovis will have a water and light plant that will fill the requirements of a town nearly twice the size now in at present.

DR. C. C. GOODWIN GOES TO SOUTH AMERICA

Dr. C. C. Goodwin left last week for a visit at his former home at Rockport, Ill. He has resigned his position at the Santa Fe hospital here and in a few weeks will leave Illinois for Lima, Peru where he has accepted a position as assistant surgeon with the Cerro de Pasco Copper Corporation.

NELSON HAS IMPROVED

Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Nelson returned the first of the week from Martin, Texas, where they have been for several weeks. Mr. Nelson's health was greatly improved by the stay there.

EDDY CROPS FINE

E. D. Buckman who lives near Greer, was a Clovis visitor Saturday. Mr. Buckman says the prospects are for a big crop in his community. The prospects, he says, are fully as good as last year and the acreage is larger.

BALL GAMES FOR EVERY DAY

Games Scheduled With Floydada for Friday and Saturday. Both Teams Will Be Strong.

With a baseball game every day this week Clovis baseball fans are feeling pretty good.

The team returned Sunday morning from four games on the South Plains, two with Plainview and two with Floydada. All four of these games were lost by the home team.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week the local team played Amarillo, losing the first game and winning the second. The score by innings of the Monday game was: Amarillo—0-0-3-3-3-0-0-0-6. Total 12 Clovis—2-0-0-0-2-4-0-1-2. Total 11.

Robinson and Horton pitched for Amarillo and Lewis caught. Murphy and Turner were the batteries for Clovis.

In the Tuesday game Clovis won by a score of 17 to 16, the score by innings being:

Amarillo—1-4-5-2-3-0-0-0-0. Total 15 Clovis—0-3-0-3-1-4-0-0-0. Total 17.

Batteries for Clovis: Stepp, Talbot, Althaus, pitchers, and Turner catching. Amarillo, Bean and Lewis.

Won From Plainview Wednesday

In the Wednesday game Clovis won from Plainview by a score of 11 to 4. Clovis won the game by heavy batting and played a good game. Batteries for Clovis: Althaus and Cavanaugh; for Plainview, Graves and Helm.

Floydada Friday and Saturday
Floydada is scheduled for Friday and Saturday and these two games are expected to be good ones as both teams will put forth their best efforts. Floydada has an excellent team.

ROUND-UP PLANS BEING COMPLETED

The American Legion is going ahead with plans for their big Round-Up on August 18, 19, and 20. The Legion boys say they will have many entries in the contest and promise to make it a great celebration for Clovis.

No further business appearing, the Board of Directors adjourned subject to call.

Disarmament Invitation is Accepted by the Japs

MINUTES OF C. OF C. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the Clovis Chamber of Commerce held their regular meeting today morning, July 28th. Officers and directors present were W. I. Lukart, president; Bert Curless, A. B. Audan, J. M. Bickley, J. E. Lindley, W. H. Bowman, E. L. Hanson, W. B. Gramer and D. W. Jones, secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted as amended. Bert Curless, chairman of the Highway Committee reported that that committee was carrying out an active program in local and trans-continental highway development. He described the new camping ground which has just been completed by the enterprising city of Tulsa, Texas, which he pronounced to be a model. Tulsa has a population of about two thousand people.

Dr. A. L. Dillon, chairman of the Touring Camp Ground Committee reported that the committee was co-operating with the City Council to secure a suitable location and that good progress was being made. The report was approved and the committee directed to continue the work along same lines.

W. B. Gramer, chairman of the Committee on Committees, reported that the following members of the Chamber of Commerce had been designated to constitute the following permanent committees, to wit:

Municipal Affairs Committee—James A. Hall, chairman, A. B. Austin, W. D. Hartley, J. H. Bickley, W. H. Bowman, S. W. Lane, C. L. Sullivan, Milton Brown, Jr., Alex Shipley, J. E. Lindley, A. W. Skarda, Louis P. J. Masterson, Hugh Williams, C. F. Doughton and W. H. Taylor.

Band Committee—C. A. Hatch, Chairman; G. P. Kuykendall, W. F. Swartz and E. T. Jernigan.

Legion Affairs Committee—Ray Harrison, Chairman, Jno Lukart and F. B. Herod.

On motion of Director Curless the Committee on Committees was designated to select a suitable committee to confer with the Farm Bureau and Board of County Commissioners regarding the funds for continuation of the County Agent in Curry County for the ensuing year.

Director Hatch stated that there was some misunderstanding existing in regard to the Municipal Affairs Committee on Committees was designated resolution which was adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it appears that the mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Clovis may have misconstrued or misunderstood the purpose of the motion made at the last meeting of the Board of Directors in appointing a committee on municipal affairs, and

IN ORDER THAT the Mayor and the City Council, and the citizens of Clovis may understand the purposes of said motion, and that they may know that it was not the intention of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce to reflect upon any official of the City of Clovis,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the City of Clovis that in passing said motion and appointing a committee on municipal affairs, the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce had no intention of reflecting upon any official of the City of Clovis, or any other person in any manner, but it was the intention of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce that said committee on municipal affairs should co-operate and work with the City Council in the solution of problems of municipal concern, and that said committee should endeavor to aid and assist the mayor and the City Council in having an efficient administration of all municipal affairs, including the water and light situation, to the end that the entire community may be benefited.

No further business appearing, the Board of Directors adjourned subject to call.

Washington Officials Highly Pleased With That Country's Answer in Regard to Conference.

Washington, July 27.—Japan's acceptance of a place in the disarmament conference, which reached the state department today, gives content to a discussion on far eastern questions in connection with the conference, but suggests that problems which concern only particular powers or which can be regarded as closed incidents be omitted from the scope of the meeting.

There was every evidence of satisfaction over the reply in official circles here and it was indicated that the way now was regarded as entirely clear for preliminary negotiations which will fix the time and place of meeting and details of procedure.

A comprehensive consideration of the conference program before the delegates actually assemble was also suggested in the Japanese note and now is regarded as assured. The attitude of officials here has been that such a discussion would be entirely in place once all the invited powers had definitely accepted invitations a portion of the Japanese reply which attracted particular attention here was a paragraph declaring it the sense of the Japanese government that during the conference "problems such as are of sub-concern to certain particular powers or such matters as may be regarded as accomplished facts should be scrupulously avoided."

NEW SUPERINTENDENT AT LIGHT PLANT

J. E. Orford of Denver, Colo., has been employed by the city to have charge of the water and light plant. Mr. Orford takes the place of Geo. W. Chalfant, who will in the future devote his entire time to the Natatorium, which is proving as popular at this time.

TWO WIN FREEDOM IN BALL SCANDAL

Chicago, July 27.—The defense in baseball trial today in three hours tore down the net work of evidence woven by the state in seven days sufficiently to bring immediate freedom to two defendants, obtained a tentative promise from the presiding judge for freedom for three others and presented an alibi supported by two witnesses and numerous records for a sixth of the eleven men on trial.

As a result of the defense's first attack, Louis and Ben Levi, of Kokomo, Indiana, walked out of court legally free of any connection with the deal through which it is alleged Chicago White Sox players agreed to throw the 1919 World Series for \$100,000. Buck Weaver and Happy Felsch, once idols of the American League and Carl Zork of St. Louis were promised acquittal by Judge Friend unless other evidence is presented against them and David Zolner, of Des Moines, Iowa, presented an alibi through his own testimony which was corroborated by witnesses and documents introduced as evidence.

Tomorrow the defense will begin trying to free Joe Jackson, Eddie Cicotte, Claud Williams, Chick Gandil and Swede Risberg.

GONE TO MARKET

W. T. Jackson left Thursday for the eastern markets to buy new fall and winter goods for the Jackson Dry Goods Company.

WHEAT MARKETING DELAYED A LITTLE

Local rains in the north part of the county stopped wheat hauling some Thursday, but all the fore part of the week trucks have been running from early morning to late at night bringing wheat to the several Clovis elevators. Grain men say the grade still does not come up to the average of previous years.